United States Army Veteran, Mayor Ryan embodies the American spirit and his contributions are truly deserving of this body's recognition

Mayor Ryan has been an outstanding public servant and labor advocate for both New Jersey and his home state of California. Mayor Ryan's introduction to labor and politics began in his native California, but he continued his efforts upon moving to New Jersey after marrying his wife, Marlene Brown. Mayor Ryan dedicated many years to leading his community as a council member, council president and mayor. Although retiring from elected office, Mayor Ryan remains active in local and state politics. For nearly 20 years, he has been Democratic Municipal Chairman of South Belmar and Lake Como. He has also been elected to the New Jersey State Democratic Committee and previously served as President of the south Belmar Democratic Club. Mayor Ryan is also committed to protecting labor rights, currently serving as Secretary Treasurer of the Monmouth and Ocean Counties Central Labor Council AFL-CIO and as a member of Teamsters-GCIU 612M.

In addition to his work in the public and labor sectors, Mayor Ryan is an Account Representative at Dimensional Management Corporation and is an active member of the community, volunteering at Camp Zehnder YMCA, serving as an usher at St. Rose Church and as a member of the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh of the Jersey Shore and the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Mayor Michael Ryan on his retirement. It is my hope that my colleagues will join me in thanking him for his leadership and service to the Borough of Lake Como.

TRIBUTE TO MS. JULIA SNELL

# HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation:

Whereas, our lives have been touched by the life of this one woman who has given of herself to her family, church, community, and nation; and

Whereas, Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell's good works are present across our nation, as an exemplary wife, aunt, neighbor, community worker, business owner and friend; and

Whereas, this giant of a woman, was reared in Buena Vista, Alabama, born July 1, 1907, to the late Mr. Daniel and Mrs. Irene Holt; and

Whereas, Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell was a virtuous woman, a woman of great integrity who remained true to the uplifting of her community and family which in turn uplifted others; and

Whereas, she was an exemplary matriarch, serving as a compass and wise counselor while bringing great joy to our district, her family and friends; and

Whereas, Mrs. Julia Aim Holt Wilson Snell loved her family, encouraged all of those around her to make a difference in her 107 years and blessed the lives of many in the states of Alabama, California, the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia and in her beloved church, Beulah Missionary Baptist Church where she was a faithful member; and

Whereas, this remarkable woman gave of herself, never asking for fame or fortune as she became a quiet storm, a spark that starts a flame; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to bestow a Congressional Recognition on Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell for her leadership, friendship and service to all of the citizens across the United States; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby attest to the 114th Congress that Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell, of DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Recognition," Mrs. Julia Ann Holt Wilson Snell, U.S. Citizen of Distinction.

Proclaimed, this 31st day of January, 2015.

HONORING THE WORK OF THE TOGETHER CENTER

## HON. SUZAN K. DelBENE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Ms. DELBENE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Together Center in Redmond, Washington. This month, they will be celebrating their 25th anniversary.

For the past quarter-century, Together Center has worked as a coalition of several agencies, providing services and resources such as shelter, counseling, child care, mental health services, and medical and dental care. Together Center has an incredible impact on the lives of more than 40,000 individuals in East King County every year.

Together Center has become an integral part of the community, supporting individuals and other organizations by connecting them in a convenient and efficient manner. Individuals may address a variety of needs on one of Together Center's three campuses, which conveniently house 20 agencies.

I greatly appreciate the work Together Center does to lower the barriers to getting critical help that many people need, such as medical care or temporary shelter.

I want to thank Together Center for their steadfast commitment to our local community, and congratulate them on their impressive record of achievement since 1990.

A TRIBUTE TO CHRISTINA FERNANDEZ-MORROW

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Christina Fernandez-Morrow for being named a 2015 Forty Under 40 honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

Since 2000, Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of young leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based

on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2015 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 560 business leaders and growing.

Christina has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with the Latina Leadership Initiative of Greater Des Moines is a testament to that. As executive director she uses her abilities to communicate with people from different cultures to advance both women and the Latino community. She dedicates her time to numerous organizations that elevate and advance the Latino community, especially as one of the founding board members of the Latino Heritage Festival. In all aspects of her life Christina is an example of the hard work and service that makes our state proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Christina in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud Christina for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of lowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Christina on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2015 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

#### HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$18,152,428,120,668.55. We've added \$7,525,551,071,755.47 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. JOHN F. CALLAHAN, RECIPIENT OF THE SWINGLE AWARD FROM THE GREATER PITTSTON FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK

#### HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. John F. Callahan, who will receive the 2015 Swingle Award from the Greater Pittston, Pennsylvania Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick.

A native of Pittston, Dr. Callahan is a son of the late John A. Callahan and Catherine McNulty. He attended Scranton Prep High School and graduated from The University of Scranton. Before practicing medicine, Dr. Callahan was a school teacher, and he continued to teach medical students after becoming a doctor. Upon graduating from the Pennsylvania College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Callahan operated a family practice in Pittston